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1. AT A FAREWELL LUNCHEON FOR AMBASSADOR SPASOWSKI TODAY, THE CHARGE HAD OCCASION TO SPEAK PRIVATELY WITH THE NEW AMBASSADOR ABOUT DIVIDED FAMILIES. THE CHARGE REFERRED TO THE FEBRUARY 9 CONVERSATION BETWEEN ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST AND PAWLISZEWSKI. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSCORE WHAT MR. VEST SAID ABOUT OUR WISH FOR AN EARLY ACCOUNTING OF THE THREE CASES MENTIONED BY SECRETARY VANCE TO FOREIGN MINISTER WOJTASZEK ON DECEMBER 30, 1977. HE ADDED THAT THE LOWER LEVEL RESPONSES WE HAVE RECEIVED SO FAR FROM THE MFA DO NOT, IN OUR VIEW, CONSTITUTE DELIVERY ON THE PROMISE THE FOREIGN MINISTER MADE. FAVORABLE RESOLUTION OF THESE CASES BEFORE AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE'S ARRIVAL IN WARSAW AND AMB. SPASOWSKI'S ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON WOULD MAKE FOR AN AUSPICIOUS BEGINNING TO THE TENURE OF THE NEW CHIEFS OF MISSION. FINALLY, THE CHARGE SAID HE WOULD MUCH RATHER SEE THE MFA FULFILL ON ITS OWN WOJTASZEK'S PROMISE RATHER THAN OUR HAVING TO ASK FOR IT BY A SPECIAL DEMARCHE AT A HIGHER LEVEL.

2. SPASOWSKI AGREED THAT A RESOLUTION OF THE THREE CASES AND A GENERALLY BETTER ATMOSPHERE ON THE DIVIDED FAMILY QUESTION
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WOULD GIVE HIM A BETTER START IN WASHINGTON. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT HE HAD LOST TRACK OF THE WHOLE SUBJECT DURING HIS RECENT HOSPITALIZATION. HE SAID HE WOULD "LOOK INTO IT RIGHT AWAY".
COMMENT: WE HAVE HEARD THIS STATEMENT FROM SPASOWSKI BEFORE, MANY TIMES, AND IT MAY NOT PRODUCE ANY CHANGE. BUT SPASOWSKI CLEARLY UNDERSTANDS THE ADVANTAGE TO HIM OF AVOIDING A CONFRONTATION ON THIS ISSUE DURING HIS EJCLY DAYS IN WASHINGTON. WITH

THIS IN MIND, WE RECOMMEND HOLDING UP A FEW DAYS THE DEMARCHE
WE SUGGESTED IN REF (B). IF WE DO NOT HEAR ANYTHING FROM THE
MFA BY LATE NEXT WEEK, WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE DEMARCHE BE
MADE. END COMMENT.

3. SPASOWSKI SAID HE IS DELAYING HIS ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON UNTIL
THE BEGINNING OF MARCH. (HE SAID A FEW DAYS AGO THAT HE HOPED
TO GET THERE ON FEBRUARY 23.) HE EXPLAINED THAT HE STILL HAS
NOT FINISHED HIS CONSULTATIONS IN WARSAW AND DOES NOT WISH TO
LEAVE BEFORE HE HAS TOUCHED ALL THE BASES THAT NEED TOUCHING HERE.
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